IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Daniel S. Gierer, et al

APPLICATION NO.: 10/612,679 : Examiner: Tran, Susan T.

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TITLE: A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION :

HAVING UNIFORM DRUG DISTRIBUTION

AND POTENCY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on <u>June 29, 2006</u>, and having an original period for response of <u>three months</u>, which expired on <u>September 29, 2006</u>, be extended by <u>three month(s)</u>, such that it expires on <u>December 29, 2006</u>.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$1,020.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445.

Respectfully submitted,

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